

# Vaccine Label Examples

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*LINK available on Immunizeme.org – Information for Providers:*

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/guide/vaccine-storage-labels.pdf>

Staff can easily confuse the vaccines within the storage units. Labeling the area where vaccines are stored can help staff quickly locate and choose the correct vaccine—perhaps preventing a vaccine administration error. Depending on how the vaccines are organized within the storage unit, labels can be placed on the slotted containers or bins or directly attached to the shelves where the vaccines are placed. Other helpful strategies include color coding the labels (e.g., one color for pediatric and another for adult vaccines) and including additional information such as age indications, gender or other information unique to the vaccine can help prevent vaccine administration errors.

In addition, some vaccines must be reconstituted before administration. These vaccines have two components—a lyophilized vaccine and diluent that must be mixed together. **The lyophilized vaccine should only be reconstituted or mixed using the diluent supplied by the manufacturer.** Consider posting reminders or labeling the vaccines to remind staff to reconstitute certain vaccines prior to administration.